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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.56 AND §1.97**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97 to inform the Patent Office of all references coming to the attention of each individual associated with the filing or prosecution of the subject application, which are or may be material to the patentability of any claim of the application, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the references AA to BN listed on the attached revised form PTO 1449 entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant." Copies of references AA to BN are submitted herewith.

Identification of the listed references is not to be construed an admission of Applicants or Attorneys for Applicants that such references are available as "prior art" against the subject application. Consequently, Applicants respectfully decline to use form PTO-1449, since this form identifies all of the references cited therein as "Prior Art". As an alternative, Applicants submit herewith several pages of a "revised form PTO 1449" entitled "List of References Cited by Applicant" instead of "List of Prior Art Cited".

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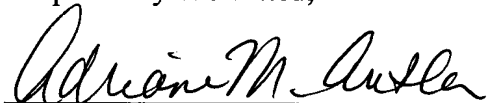
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connection herewith. However, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine otherwise, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the foregoing references and that the references be made of record in the file history of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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